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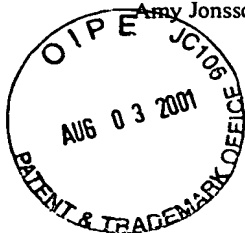
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Application No.: 09/830,480

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Title: **Internet Based Hearing Assessment Methods**

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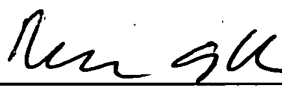
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